

National Pollution Prevention Roundtable's 2025 Safer Chemistry Challenge Program

New Jersey Strategic Planning Webinar May 24, 2012

Overview



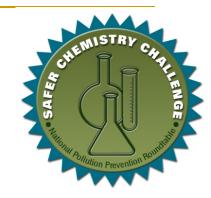
- Overview of National Pollution Prevention Roundtable
- Purpose of the Safer Chemistry Challenge Program
- Program components
- Benefits of reducing chemical hazards
- Resources

National Pollution Prevention Roundtable

- Largest membership organization devoted to pollution prevention advocacy
- Focus on source reduction (or reducing or eliminating pollution and waste at the source)
- 25 years of service
- Includes representatives of government, academia and industry
- Provides forum for information exchange, training, policy development, partnerships and recognition



2025 Safer Chemistry Challenge Program



- Program Goal
 - Encourage, assist and recognize businesses and others that reduce the use of chemicals of concern to human health and the environment
- Core Elements
 - Voluntary and collaborative

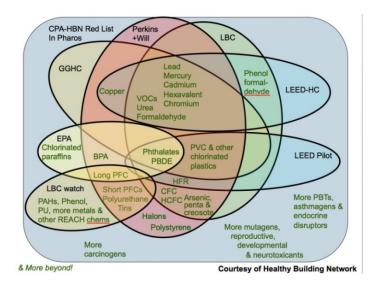
- Focus on hazardous chemicals
- Pollution prevention (or source reduction) emphasis
- Reductions must be achievable, measurable and verifiable

Program Objectives and Approaches

- Reduction target :25% by 2025
 - □ Two interim goals:
 - 10% 2015
 - 20% 2010
- Baseline year of 2010

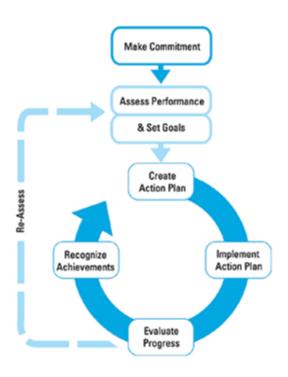
- Source reduction approach:
 - Reduce the use or generation of hazardous substances at the source:
 - Through the use of safer chemicals in production processes
 - Through product or process redesign

Targeted Chemicals



- Target a minimum of 5 chemicals of concern. For example:
 - Persistent
 - Bioaccumulative
 - Hazardous properties
 - Impact on human health or environment
- Any mix of chemicals from:
 - Chemical priorities that are of significance to your company and/or
 - NPPR States List of Priority Chemicals

Steps to Participate



- Complete application and sign commitment form
- Develop and implement an action plan
- Partner with state or local technical assistant provider to help identify safer alternatives
- Report results
- Get recognition and communicate achievements

Potential Benefits of Reducing Chemical Use

- Prevent exposure to chemical hazards
- Lower costs
- Enhance customer, shareholder and employee loyalty
- Increase market share through innovation
- Meet public demand for chemical transparency and safer alternatives
- Anticipate new regulatory developments



SCCP Technical Advisory Panel

Responsibilities:

- Assist in identifying the barriers to safer product design and production processes
- Identify potential solutions as industry transitions to safer alternatives
- Provide input on implementation of the SCCP

Current Members

- Barbara Hanley, Hewlett Packard
- Gabe Wing, Herman Miller
- Roger McFadden, Staples
- Teresa McGrath, NSF International
- Paul Richard, Babcock
 Warner Institute
- Al Innes, MN Pollution Control Agency

Tools and Resources

- Resources:
 - Sample action plan
 - Success story template
- Webinars, training & conferences:
 - GreenScreen, EPA DfE
 - Case studies
- Technical assistance network:
 - SCCP Alliance members in Great Lakes states: IL, IN, MN, MI, WI, OH, NY
- Recognition national and state



Technical Assistant Partners



- Great Lakes Regional Pollution Prevention Roundtable
- P2Rx Centers
- Clean Production Action
- New York State Pollution Prevention Institute
- Solid and Hazardous Waste Education Center (WI)

Special Focus: Great Lakes Basin

- Funding support from U.S.
 EPA's Great Lakes
 Restoration Initiative over three years
 - Goal: Advance the adoption of safer chemicals in the manufacture and use of products

Activities

- Recruit 100 industry members
- Deliver six GreenScreen training workshops
 - May 8, 2012, Ann Arbor
 - Nov 15, 2012, Chicago
- Webinar series (spring and fall)



Fee Structure

- Individual Facilities
 - 0-100 employees:\$500
 - □ 101- 499 employees: \$800
 - 500+ employees:\$1,500

Special note: No fee for industries in the Great Lakes Basin during GLI grant

- Multiple Facilities
 - □ 2-5 facilities: \$2,000
 - □ 6-10 facilities: \$3,000
 - □ 11+ facilities: \$5,000

Excerpts from Dell's Chemicals Use Policy

Healthy Business Strategies for Transforming the Toxic Chemical Economy

Chemical Policy:

- Identify substances of concern with consideration for legal requirements, international treaties and conventions, specific market demands, and by the following criteria:
 - Substances with hazardous properties that are a known threat to human health or the environment
 - Substances with hazardous properties that show strong indications of significant risks to human health or the environment

- Substances with hazardous properties that are known to biopersist and bioaccumulate in humans or the environment
- Restricted Materials (in certain applications):
 - □ 13 restricted substances
- Reduction Goals:
 - 2002: Reduce use of PBBs and PBDEs in all products
 - 2006: Reduce bromine in display products by 30%
 - 2015: Reduce brominated flame retardants in all products

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